TERMINAL LEARNING OBJECTIVE

Determine requirements for suspension of favorable personnel actions (FLAGs)

PRINCIPLES AND STANDARDS

- The principle of support.
 - Operate a system to guard against

favorable personnel actions for

soldiers not in good standing.

- Wartime standards of service.
 - Suspend the system for the deploying force.
 - Retain the policy that precludes favorable actions in force.

PRINCIPLES AND STANDARDS (cont)

Peacetime standards of service.

- Initiate a flag immediately when a soldier's status changes from favorable to unfavorable.
- Maintain flagged MPRJs in a restricted access area.
- Review active flag cases monthly.
- Remove a flag immediately when a soldier's status changes from unfavorable to favorable.

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See AR600-8-2, Figure 2-1.

TWO CATEGORIES OF FLAGS

Non-transferable.

Transferable.

PERSONNEL ACTIONS FLAGS PROHIBIT

- Appointment, Reenlistment, and Extensions.
- Entry on active duty or active duty for training.
- Reassignment.
- Promotion or reevaluation for promotion.
- Awards and decorations.
- Attendance at civilian or military schooling.
- Unqualified resignation or discharge.

PERSONNEL ACTIONS FLAGS PROHIBIT (cont)

- Retirement.
- Advance or excess leave.
- Payment of enlistment bonus (EB) or selective reenlistment bonus (SRB)
- Assumption of command.
- Family member travel to overseas command (when sponsor is overseas).

PERSONNEL ACTIONS FLAGS PROHIBIT (cont)

 Command sponsorship of family members in overseas command (when sponsor is overseas).

RULES FOR INITIATING FLAGS

- Each investigation, incident, or action requires initiation of a separate flag.
- The commander or general officer staff head directs the flagging action.
- The effective date of a flag is the date of the incident or the date the commander or general officer staff head initiates the action, whichever is earlier.

RULES FOR TRANSFERRING FLAGS

- Normally, you cannot reassign a soldier with an "open" flag case, unless HQDA directs the transfer or when paragraph 1-15c applies.
- When HQDA directs a flagged soldier's reassignment, the responsibility to manage the flagging action transfers to the gaining command.

RULES FOR REMOVING FLAGS

- The commander (or General Officer Staff Head) directs removal of the flag.
- The effective date of removal is the day on which the soldier's status changes (para 1-12 & 1-13).
- The first General Officer in the chain of command will determine the effective date of removal if there is a conflict.